

# MINUTES OF THE JOINT CITY COUNCIL SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT MEETING

## SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

## **MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012**

The Council of the City of San José convened in Joint Session at 1:37 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Council Members - Campos, Chu, Constant, Herrera, Kalra, Liccardo,

Nguyen, Oliverio, Pyle, Rocha; Reed.

Absent: Council Members - All Present.

Present: District Members - Estremera, Hsueh, Keegan, Santos, Yamamoto;

LeZotte.

Absent: District Members - Schmidt. (Excused)

<u>City of San José Staff</u>: City Manager Debra Figone, City Attorney Richard Doyle, Assistant City Clerk Toni Taber and Deputy City Clerk Susan Davis.

<u>Santa Clara Water District Staff</u>: Chief Executive Officer Beau Goldie, District Counsel Stan Yamamoto and Deputy Clerk of the Board Camille Taylian.

#### JOINT CITY/SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT STUDY SESSION

Documents Filed: (1) Staff presentation dated December 10, 2012 summarizing the Working Through Partnerships/Leveraging Resources. (2) Letter from the County of Santa Clara, Office of the District Attorney, dated December 7, 2012, regarding the efforts to address the complex issues surrounding the illegal encampments in the City and County. (3) Letter from the Santa Clara Audubon Society, Sierra Club, Greenbelt Alliance and Committee for Green Foothills, dated December 10, 2012, requesting the City/District address the issue of future development in and near riparian corridors, and in floodplains in San José. (4) Letter from Citizens Committee to Complete the Refuge, dated December 6, 2012, regarding the trail use and South Bay Shoreline Study discussions. (5) Storm Report dated December 10, 2012 issued by the Santa Clara Valley Water District describing rainfall and reservoir levels, flood fighting field operations, flooding incidents and raw and treated water operations.

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Santa Clara Valley Water District Chair Linda J. LeZotte and Mayor Reed presented opening comments.

City Manager Debra Figone presented and Santa Clara Valley Water District Beau Goldie provided introductory comments.

#### (a) Presentation and Discussion of Water Issues related to:

- (1) South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study
  - (a) Project Description/Update and
  - (b) Non-federal Funding/Policy Issues

Santa Clara Valley Water District Deputy Officer Melanie Richardson and Supervising Environmental Services Specialist Ken Davies presented the report and responded to Council and Board questions.

## (2) Long-Term Water Supply

- (a) Near-term Investment Plan
- (b) Path Towards Sustainability
- (c) Wholesale Water Rate Forecasting

Santa Clara Valley Water District Jim Fielder and Division Manager Jeff Provenzano offered the report on the long term water supply.

<u>Public Comments</u>: John Bourgeous and Paul Campos provided comments on the water supply, planning efforts and benefits.

## (3) Homeless Encampments

- (a) Impacts
- (b) Joint Programs
- (c) Future Direction

Assistant Director of Housing Jacky Morales-Ferrand and Santa Clara Valley Water District Deputy Officer Chris Elias provided the report on the homeless encampments.

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Liccardo left the meeting at approximately 3:40 p.m.

Council Member Rocha requested that the City Council and the Santa Clara Valley Water District Board consider the letter from the Santa Clara Audubon Society, Sierra Club, Greenbelt Alliance and Committee for Green Foothills, dated December 10, 2012, and place the issue of future development in and near riparian corridors, and in floodplains in San José.

# (3) Homeless Encampments (Cont'd.)

<u>Public Comments</u>: Expressing comments about the homeless encampments, cleanups, the impacts, law enforcement control and rangers: were Jenny Niklaus, EHC LifeBuilders; Eileen Richardson, Downtown Streets; Nahal Iravani-Sani, County of Santa Clara, Office of the District Attorney; Ralph Miller, Norma Johnson, John Davis and Shani Kleinhaus, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- (1) Nicholas Newbury, Downtown Street Team, explained that his team is a great organization that helps the homeless and the community.
- (2) Shani Kleinhaus, Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society, urged the Council and the District to address the issue of future development in and near riparian corridors and in the floodplains of San José.

Mayor Reed and District Chair Linda J. LeZotte presented closing remarks.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Reed adjourned the joint meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by,

Dennis Hawkins, CMC City Clerk

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